SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 460

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Matthew Wayne Cunningham, 2007 Valedictorian of Perry County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Cunningham is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Perry County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Cunningham has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Matthew has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including service in the Math Club, the Advanced Science Club, and the Beta Club, for which he stood as Vice President; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. Cunningham earned class awards in Algebra 2, Chemistry, Biology, and World Geography, was recognized with the Woodman of the World U.S. History Award, and earned top five honors in his freshman, sophomore, and junior years; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to excellence is not bound to the classroom; a four-year member of the varsity basketball team, Matthew was named to the District Team in February and earned recognition as the District 12A Most Valuable Player; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Lambuth University, where he plans to major in physical therapy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cunningham's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Barry and Donnette Cunningham, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Cunningham's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Perry County High School Valedictorian, Matthew Wayne Cunningham, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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